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SUBJ: ASSAD VISIT

1. SYRIAN PRESIDENT ASSAD WAS RECEIVED BY TITO AT SUMMER RESIDENCE ON BRIONI ISLAND DURING FORMER'S OFFICIAL VISIT AUG 14-16. ASSAD WAS ACCOMPANIED BY PREMIER AYOUBI AND BEVY OF MINISTERS - KHADDAN (FOREIGN), SADIKI (INFO), EL KIFRI (PETROLEUM ETC), EL HASSAN (EDUCATION) AND ABDEL BAQI (URBAN AND RURAL), AND CHIEF OF FOREIGN RELATIONS DEPT OF BAATH PARTY, ASKARI. ON YUGOSLAV SIDE, PRESIDENCY MEMBER KARDELJ, ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT GLIGOROV, VICE PRESIDENT STAMBOLIC, PREMIER BIJEDIC, FONSEC MINIC AND LCY EXCOM MEMBER VIDIC TOOK PART.

2. WATCHWORD OF VISIT WAS IDENTITY OF VIEWS ON ALL INTERNATIONAL QUESTIONS TWO DELEGATIONS DISCUSSED. TOASTS, COMMUNIQUE AND OTHER STATEMENTS CONDEMNED FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN CYPRUS WHICH TOPPLED LEGAL GOVT OF MAKARIOS WITHOUT DEMANDING MAKARIOS' RETURN, HOWEVER. RESOLUTION OF CRISIS SHOULD BE BASED ON PRESERVATION OF INDEPENDENCE OF CYPRUS, ESTABLISHMENT OF LEGAL GOVT AND REMOVAL OF "ALIEN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MILITARY BASES AND FORCES" FROM ISLAND. NEED STRESSED FOR

POSITIVE NONALIGNED ACTION IN SOLVING CYPRIOT AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL CRISES. ON MIDDLE EAST, COMMUNIQUE CALLED FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SC RESOLUTION 338 AND OTHER RESOLUTIONS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL RIGHTS OF PALESTINIANS, CONDEMNED RECENT ISRAELI RAIDS ON LEBANON, AND TITO EXPRESSED YUGOSLAV SUPPORT OF SYRIA IN SOLIDIFYING RESULTS OF "OCTOBER LIBERATION WAR". FAMILIAR NONALIGNED THEMES REPEATED ON REDUCING GAP BETWEEN DEVELOPED NATIONS AND LDC'S SUPPORT OF LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AND ELSEWHERE AGAINST "FOREIGN INTERFERENCE" AND STRENGTHENING OF ROLE OF UN IN SOLVING INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS. FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN BAATH PARTY AND LEAGUE OF COMMUNISTS OF YUGOSLAVIA (LCY) ALSO CALLED FOR.

3. DELEGATIONS SIGNED AGREEMENTS ON BILATERAL COOPERATION IN FIELDS OF CULTURE, INFORMATION AND TRADE AND A PROTOCOL ON LONG-TERM ECONOMIC COOPERATION. MACHINERY WAS ESTABLISHED TO OVERSEE TRADE AND INTERPARTY CONTACTS. TOON

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